

## *Welcome to Eastgate SDA Church!*

### *A message from Pastor Eric Sayler*

One of the most enjoyable parts of the Christmas season is music. From Bing Crosby to the Carpenters, from Handel's Messiah to Nat King Cole.

One song, in particular, has caused much mirth in our home. There's a YouTube video of two men acting out the Twelve Days of Christmas song as a group of vocalists sings the verses. It's hilarious and I recommend you watch it if you have a chance.

The twelve days of Christmas is an idea that comes from more orthodox branches of the Christian family tree. In case you're unaware, these twelve days don't lead *up* to Christmas, they *follow* Christmas, concluding on January 6!

The twelve days of Christmas give Christians an opportunity to intentionally reflect on the birth of Christ *after* he is "born."

I'm afraid that those of us in less orthodox traditions might lose out on a chance for reflection because after Christmas is over we mentally and emotionally move on to the new year, assuming the time of nativity is over.

But if one thinks about it, whether Jesus was born in December, March, or another time, for Joseph and Mary this was just the beginning. They now had a new baby to love, feed, change, and raise.

The art of reflection is important. To slow down enough that we can internalize the things that have happened in the past. To allow them to make a difference in us.

This Sabbath we have a chance to do just that. It's not a reflection on the nativity, per se, but this Sabbath's reflection would be impossible if the nativity had never happened!

This Sabbath we get to reflect on the death of Jesus through the Communion Service. That little baby that was born, whose birth we celebrate each December, grew up to be our Savior. This is who we will Celebrate this coming on Sabbath morning.

I'm looking forward to worshipping with you!

~Pastor Eric

**This Weekend:** *December 28, Pastor Sayler will lead us to the cross as we review the events of the last supper and celebrate communion.*

**Next Weekend:** *January 4, Pastor Sayler will present us with a new message from The Word.*

### *Eastgate Church News & Events*

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#### *Week at a Glance* .....

##### Sabbath, December 28

9:30am – 10:30am

Sabbath School Study

10:45am – 12:15pm

Pastor Eric Sayler: Communion Service

12:30pm – 2:00pm

All-Church Potluck Dinner

##### Monday, December 30

7:00pm

Women's Study Group 910 SE Parkside Place, CP, WA

##### Wednesday, December 31

5:30 – 7:00pm

New Year's Eve Time of Worship

We are planning a special evening of Bread, Soup and Salad supper followed by music, testimony, prayer and worship. Can you bring a big pot of soup? Maybe some salad or bread? Join the church family here that evening in the fellowship hall.

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Carol Hargreaves' Group will NOT meet again until January 8

Thursday, January 1

**Happy New Year!**

Friday, January 3

India Mission Team Returns Home

Sabbath, January 4

9:30am – 10:30am

Sabbath School Study

10:45am – 12:15pm

Pastor Eric Saylor

2:30 – 3:30pm

Singing Bands

**Eastgate SDA Church Happenings!!**

**Helpline Christmas Tree**

Each year Helpline partners with area churches to capture the true meaning of Christmas through their giving tree program. We have a Christmas Giving Tree on display in the lobby with multiple paper ornaments hanging from the branches. If you are able, we would ask you to take an ornament. When you turn it over you will find items designed to meet basic needs of those struggling to make ends meet in our community. There are also ornaments for monetary donations for things like, bus passes at \$10 each and for heat/utilities at \$25 or \$50.

If you would like to help with this outreach, please take a tag and make a purchase. The items should NOT be wrapped. This will make it easier for the Helpline staff to access for appropriate needs. If your tag is for a monetary donation, please place it in an envelope with the paper ornament attached to the outside. These will be collected in a large manila envelope and be given to the Helpline staff. We will keep this available through the end of December.

Thank you for considering this as a giving option this year!

**Christmas Food Boxes – Thank you!**

Thank you to those who contributed to this project. Those who received the gifts expressed Thank Yous and their sincere appreciation for your gifts!

**Women's Study Group**

Mondays, 7:00pm. Ladies - it's time for a spiritual growth for women and faith in Christ. This group of ladies invites you to join them as they read and discuss. If you are interested in joining them, please call Rhoda Ehrman at 509-200-2826.

**We thank you for supporting your local church budget in addition to the world church?**

*[This report is the same as last week. When our church treasurer returns from his trip to India he will up-date us regarding our end of the year giving.]*

Based on the most recent giving totals, for the year local church budget has averaged \$9,862.15 per month with a monthly budget of \$10,414.17.

**Financial Report**

			<b><u>GOAL</u></b>
Combined Budget:	for the month of December	\$12,530.07	\$10,414.00
Parking Lot Project:	Balance remaining	\$ 3,047.16	\$14,324.29
Student Aid:	received	\$ 5,261.80	\$11,200.00
Pastor's Fund 2020	received	\$ 2,481.17!!!	\$ 2,000.00

Praise the Lord for members who can and do financially support the local mission of this church!

### **Pacific Power Bill Report**

For those that might be curious about our electrical energy use here are a few little details. December 2019 we have had an average daily temperature of 36 degrees. Our average daily use of electricity has been 368 kwh at a cost of \$41.89 per day. For the month \$1,340.41

### **Offering this Week**

UCC Advance

### **Offering next Week – January 4**

Local Church Budget

### **END OF YEAR FINANCIAL GIVING**

There are a couple of major projects that we undertook this year in maintaining our church facility. One that we would like to clear the balance on by the end of the calendar year is our Parking Lot Reseal.

Any donations that you would like to direct to specific areas of ministry here at the church will appreciate receiving your gift. Please have all donations to the church office no later than Tuesday, December 31 by 1:30pm. If you process your banking donations electronically, please make certain the donation is received before 12:00 midnight December 31. This may be a New Year Banking Holiday so please check on this before the last minute. Thank you for your financial support.

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### **SPECIAL MUSIC at Eastgate**

Would you like to serve the church in song? Maybe you would be willing to provide a special music on any given Sabbath? You can either contact the church office or Kim Boyd. He will once again be leading a team of individuals who will arrange for special music.

## ***Collegiate & Young Adult Class***

### **Tuesday Evening Bible Study**

7:00pm Bible study each week at Wade Brook's apartment. They are on a study journey through the book of Romans. Visit the Sabbath School class, join the Messenger group and be in the know of what to bring and where to meet! Call Wade at (509)-525-2445 or Nicole M. at (541) 282-4803.

### **Monthly Friday Night Vespers, Next One – To Be Announced**

This study group communicates through messenger and meets in various locations. They share food and song and great discussions. To connect with them, visit the Young Adult Sabbath school class and get acquainted!

They often plan a potluck supper so check with them for the plan for the evening. For an address contact Wade Brooks at (509)-525-2445, or Josh Boram at (541) 870-4661 or Nicole M. at (541) 282-4803.

## ***School News***

### **WWVA - Steve Fuchs, Long Time VP of Finance to Retire:**

Steve Fuchs has served as Vice Principal of Finance since 1992 and has decided to retire. So, Walla Walla Valley Academy is looking for a full time business manager. If you have experience and would be interested in more information you can contact Erik Borges through email [borger@wwva.org](mailto:borger@wwva.org) or call 509-525-1050

### **Our Very Own WWVA Student Keenan Werner Needs our help!**

Keenan Werner is in the band at WWVA and will be participating in a musical tour to Hawaii this coming spring. Keenan plays 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> chair trombone depending upon the musical piece. The band will once again play for the World War II anniversary on Oahu, HI. Please be prepared to offer assistance as Keenan works his way preparing for the tour! Thank you for supporting this young man in his fundraising effort!

### **Our Very Own WWVA Student Cedric Bergherm raising funds**

Cedric is also raising money for his portion of the band trip which will take place in the spring. Cedric is also in the Trombone section of the band. He is selling some homemade jam/jelly and lavender soap to earn this money. He and his mom Carrie have several flavors available and some different sizes as well. Please see more details in the Classified section on the last page of this newsletter. Also, look for Carrie Bergherm on Facebook or call 509-540-2412 or email [carriebergherm@yahoo.com](mailto:carriebergherm@yahoo.com).

## **SDA Valley Community News & Events:**

### **Fund Raider for Pastor Lloyd Perrin of the Milton SDA Church**

This fundraiser is for Pastor Lloyd, who is the lead pastor of the SDA Milton church on highway 11.

On March 30, 2018 Pastor Lloyd fell gravely ill and was emergency airlifted to OSHU in Portland, Oregon. He was admitted with a bleeding grain tumor that mimicked a really bad stroke. This fund raiser will benefit Pastor Lloyd and allow for some of the extras needed for therapy, treatments and more.

Since his original diagnosis, he has just completed his final chemotherapy appointment today and received news that his cancer, a brain tumor, is in remission. The cancer that he was diagnosed with only gave him 2 months to live. With the huge amount of prayer from church members and word of mouth, he is now in remission. While that is fantastic news, we want to continue selling cookbooks to raise as much as we can because the insurance co-pays and bills are quite huge. So we are hoping for a successful run!

If you like collecting cookbooks, this group has a wonderful cookbook of over 400 vegetarian yummy recipes. It is on \$20. Please call 509-714-4056 (leave a message) or email:

[PerrinFamilyFundraiser@gmail.com](mailto:PerrinFamilyFundraiser@gmail.com)

*Note: Sharlene Tayler, a member of the Milton church and is coordinating this effort.*



### **Steps of Paul and John Tour – 2020**

Join Professor Carl Cosaert on this amazing tour thru Greece: Ephesus, Athens, Corinth, Laodicea, Meteora and more. Tour begins Wednesday, March 18<sup>th</sup> to Istanbul and ends in beautiful Athens, Greece. The price of the tour is \$2,345 per person plus airfare. For more information, please contact Shelle Blake at [shelleblake@yahoo.com](mailto:shelleblake@yahoo.com)

### **Local Christian Aid Center Needs Your Help**

Good afternoon. Here's a list of the current volunteer needs at the Christian Aid Center:

- \* Donation Storage Room Organizer
- \* Breakfast Cook
- \* Registered Nurses

For more information, please contact Jeannette Regalado, Volunteer Coordinator, at (509) 525-7153 ext. 114. Volunteer application is available on our website at [www.christianaidcenter.org](http://www.christianaidcenter.org)

## *Upper Columbia Conference of SDA News*

### **New Evangelism Director Named**

A new evangelism and church planting director has been named by the Upper Columbia Conference Executive Committee. In its December meeting, Byron Corbett was invited to serve in this capacity, and he has accepted.

Read Full Story here <https://sp.uccsda.org/News2019-12-22/>

### **UCC Office and ABC Holiday Hours**

The Upper Columbia Conference office will be closed January 1 and 2, 2020.

### **Are You a Teen Pathfinder?**

Teen Pathfinders head towards Camp MiVoden for their annual retreat. The speaker this year will be Pastor Caleb Foss from the Summit NW SDA Church in Post Falls, Wash. The worship team will be led by Allen Stafford. Go to <https://l.uccsda.org/TeenRetreat2020>

### **Youth Camps at MiVoden**

Registration is open for all our youth camps. You have several to choose from our basic camps to our Ultimate camps and our 3-week DiscipleTrek camp. More information online at [www.mivoden.com](http://www.mivoden.com). There is a \$20 early payment discount available if the balance is paid by January 21. Any questions or assistance please call 509-242-0506.

### **Want to Work at Summer at Camp?**

Camp MiVoden is currently taking applications for Summer Staff 2020. Please go online to [www.mivoden.com](http://www.mivoden.com) to apply.

### **Registration for Camp Meeting**

It is time now to register for the 2020 camp meeting - June 10-13, 2020. Go to: <https://www.uccsda.org/campmeeting> and find the reservation link at the top of the menu. The main speaker will be Lee Venden and he will share his focus on how Jesus wants to find and rescue every person. You will not want to miss this year's camp meeting.

### **Egypt Bible Tour 2020**

Don't miss the opportunity to visit the earliest pyramid in Dashur and to spend time in the Egyptian Museum in Cairo. This tour, December 28, 2020 - January 6, 2021, also includes time in the Valley of the Kings, including the tomb of King Tut plus many more sites. You will visit Ancient Egyptian sites that make the Bible come alive. You will enjoy spending two nights on a cruise down the Nile. You will stay in four star hotels. The cost of the tour includes all meals, two domestic flights, travel in a deluxe coach, entrance fees for all tours sites and museums, guide and drive trips. This tour is hosted by Dr. Carl Cosaert, Professor of Biblical Studies at Walla Walla University. For a detailed itinerary and additional information send an email to Sharon Searson at [sharons@uccsda.org](mailto:sharons@uccsda.org).

### **UCC News and Events Can Arrive in your Inbox**

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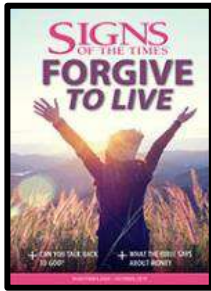
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## *Beyond the UCC of SDA News*

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**RELIGIOUS LIBERTY** - Do you struggle to explain your convictions about Sabbath or labor unions to your employer? Are you being asked to work on Sabbath? The Northwest Religious Liberty Association can help. Call Greg Hamilton and Rhonda Bolton at 360/857-7040.



**PRAY ONE MISSION** is a North American Division initiative calling us to focused prayer for people who need Jesus. Do you know of one or two such people? As you pray for these individuals, please consider sending them a subscription to *Signs of the Times*® at 800/545-2449. Prayer and the printed page are great teammates and proven soul winners.



**MISSION 360° MAGAZINE** Several publications, such as *Mission Post* and *Frontline* have merged and expanded to create a new official mission magazine of the Seventh-day Adventist church called Mission 360°. It will be published quarterly and you can sign up for an online version at [Mission360Mag.org](http://Mission360Mag.org).

## *Job Network*

*Looking for a position? Looking to Hire? Please let us know so we can assist in getting the word out!*

### **Job Opportunities in Upper Columbia Conference**

To keep up on all job opportunities in UCC go to: Give <https://www.uccsda.org/jobs> .

### **Job Opportunities in the Oregon Conference**

Looking for work in the Oregon Conference? Check the following for job postings:  
[www.oregonconference.org/employment-home](http://www.oregonconference.org/employment-home)

### **Job Opportunities at Walla Walla University**

Looking for work at the University? Check the following for job postings:  
<https://www.wallawalla.edu/resources/human-resources-payroll/>



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### **Need Electrical Work Done? Power Solutions Electric**

Casey Werner and Trent Fowler may be your solution to your electric wiring and repair projects. Contact Heidi or Tara at [pselectric01@gmail.com](mailto:pselectric01@gmail.com) or 509-540-2656. It's always good to know your electrician!

### **Cedric Bergherm – Fundraising for Spring Band Tour with WWVA**

Cedric is selling some homemade jam/jelly and lavender soap to earn money for his Band trip to Hawaii this spring. They have several flavors available, and some different sizes as well.

Contact his mother Carrie for inventory available and pricing. [carriebergherm@yahoo.com](mailto:carriebergherm@yahoo.com) or cell phone 509-540-2412

### **ABC Christian Bookstore**

Bibles ♦ Books ♦ Gifts ♦ DVDs ♦ CDs ♦ Games ♦ Cards ♦ and MORE!

**OPEN - Sunday 10-3: Monday → Thursday 10:00 – 5:00: Friday ♦ Closed**

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### **Need a Handyman? Try Wade Brooks!**

Wade Brooks runs his own company serving the Walla Walla Valley. Contact him at 509-525-2445 or email to [wallowallahandyman@gmail.com](mailto:wallowallahandyman@gmail.com) . Let Wade give you a helping hand!

**PC SAVVY Computer Repair - Arron Pleier, [www.pcsavvy.com](http://www.pcsavvy.com) or [miltonfreewater@pcsavvy.com](mailto:miltonfreewater@pcsavvy.com) 509-593-0492**

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Havstad Alumni Center is a great place to gather with family and friends for the holidays. It has a home-like atmosphere, while providing enough space for your family dinners, receptions, company dinners and meetings, and a place to gather with friends. For additional information and availability, call (509) 527-2241 or email [wallowallauniversityalumni@wallawalla.edu](mailto:wallowallauniversityalumni@wallawalla.edu) .

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Thank you for your positive feedback and comments. Sincerely, Eastgate SDA Office Manager